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Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR "2021 Spatial Plan Consultation – and aftermath"

I refer to your official information request dated 19 May 2022 for the matters detailed below in Question 2, i, ii, and iii. Our responses to each part are shown in blue type:

2. Relating to the 2021 Spatial Plan Consultation - and aftermath

- i. (Subject to the proviso set out in the next sentence) please forward *"a copy of all and any updated plan/diagram/concept (prepared within Council Offices - or by its Consultants) of any of the plans/diagrams/concepts which were included in the Spatial Plan Consultation documentation at p 25 to 36, 45, 48, 51, 54 & 55, 57 to 59, 62, 65 to 66, 74 and 76"*. I only seek any plan/diagram/concept that has been made available (in draft or final form) to any of the following: any Councillor, the Mayor, or the Chief Executive Officer (or relieving CEO) of Nelson City Council

In partial explanation of the request, I have noted the Nelson Mail front page article of 14 May (repeated on the website on 17 May) which says

The Achilles/Rutherford proposal includes investment in the Bridge Street Linear Active Transport Corridor, described in Te Ara o Whakatū - Nelson's City Centre Spatial Plan - as an active transport corridor and linear park offering green space for people. The street will connect people to places and enable effective, safe, healthy and rewarding movement from one side of our city to the other.

If implementation of that *"vision"* - for vision is what it was said to be - is imminent, I assume that plans have been progressed in the last 6 months, and I wish to see the same. Also, I am aware that Council assured Submitters that there would be *"consultation"* when the detail was known: accordingly, I am looking for an indication as to when that *"consultation"* will start.

No further updates have been done to the plans/diagrams/concepts indicated above since Te Ara o Whakatū (Nelson City Centre Spatial Plan) was adopted on the 8th December 2021.

At this stage I'm unable to provide an indication as to when consultation will start.

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Whilst Council has been successful in progressing to the negotiations stage on this proposal (which includes the Bridge Street Linear Active Transport Corridor) under the Infrastructure Fund, these are yet to commence. These negotiations will consider implications for its Long-Term Plan budget before consultation can start.

- ii. *what sum has been allocated/budgeted (or otherwise reserved} in the Council accounts/budget in the 2022/23, and/or the 23/24 financial years, for carrying out any change in the configuration of Bridge Street foreshadowed by the Spatial Plan: and where can such sum (or budgeting) be found on the Council's website"*

A sum of \$150,000 has been assigned to the Schematic Design investigation of options from existing budget for CBD enhancement from the Long-Term Plan (LTP).

Refer to pg. 150:

<http://www.nelson.govt.nz/assets/Our-council/Images/plans-strategies-policies/long-term-plans/ltp-2021-31/Long-Term-Plan-2021-31-FINAL-FOR-WEB-04-August-2021-updated23March22.pdf>

- iii. noting the front page article in Nelson Mail on 14th May; and on the Council's website on 17 May 2022: please forward
"a copy of all plans/diagrams/concepts (showing a - or the - re-configuration of Bridge Street) forwarded to any government department by Council in the last 12 months in support of any request for Infra Structure Funding relevant to any change in the configuration of Bridge Street"

The Report to Council for the Expression of Interest to the Infrastructure Acceleration Fund is available on the Council Website – Link below:

<http://www.nelson.govt.nz/assets/Our-council/Downloads/released-decisions/2021/Decision-released-from-12Aug2021-Council-Infrastructure-Acceleration-Fund-released-on-26Aug2021.pdf>

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Alan Gray - City Centre Development Programme Lead.

Yours sincerely,



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